

Amendments to the Abstract

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ABSTRACT

A method for identifying identification of tokens in a video sequences is described. First, first the video sequence is scanned for boundaries between consecutive parts of the sequence, where the appearance of the tokens is expected. After that step, candidate regions are pre-selected and classified in parts of the video sequence adjacent to detected boundaries, and tokens are located in the candidate regions. Information carried on the tokens is located, interpreted, and merged into consistent sets of information after passing a confidence analysis. In parallel, a changes in the visual appearance of the a token, signaling a special event, is are detected.

Fig. 1